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SUBJ: BOTSWANA-ZAMBIA TRADE LINK: SUSPENSION BEEF SHIPMENTS

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1. DURING COURTESY CALL NEW ZAMBIA AMBASSADOR BOTSWANA, ILUTE YETA, CONFIRMED SUBSTANCE INFORMATION PARA ONE REFTEL A. HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT BOTSWANA MEAT COMMISSION (BMC) CONTINUE SHIPMENTS BEEF ZAMBIA AT SUBSIDIZED PRICES PARTICULARLY IN VIEW ALTERNATIVE MARKETS READILY AVAILABLE WESTERN EUROPE. HOWEVER, BMC STILL EXAMINING PRICE QUESTION.

2. AMBASSADOR YETA ALSO INDICATED GOZ HAD APPROACHED ALASKA AIR ABOUT REDUCING FREIGHT RATES FOR BEEF SHIPMENTS TO ZAMBIA AND STILL WAITING FOR REPLY.

3. IN AMBASSADOR YETA'S VIEW MOST ECONOMIC WAY IN LONG RUN MOVE BEEF AND SOUTH AFRICAN MINING EQUIPMENT THROUGH BOTSWANA WOULD BE BY ROAD FROM FRANCISTOWN TO ZAMBIA.

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